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KTVI Channel 2 St. Louis - Are the Bridgeton and West Lake Landfills a toxic legacy for St. Louis? -

11/18/15 - When you arrive at the Bridgeton Landfill just off St. Charles Rock Road, you see them right away, signs indicating a potential hazard. This is where the West Lake Landfill operating unit one is located. It's also where radioactive material is buried. Republic's vice president of communications and public affairs Russ Knocke gave us a first hand look of the entire area in question.

<http://fox2now.com/2015/11/18/are-the-bridgeton-and-west-lake-landfills-a-toxic-legacy-for-st-louis/>

St. Louis Post-Dispatch - Officials reassure Bridgeton businesses on West Lake Landfill - 11/19/15 -

Some of the 130 employees at C.A.P.S. have asked whether there's a potential for an explosion should an underground fire at the Bridgeton Landfill reach radioactive waste in the adjacent West Lake Landfill. "We're not panicking," he said. "We know everyone's keeping an eye on it. But we want to be prepared."

http://www.stltoday.com/business/local/officials-reassure-bridgeton-businesses-on-west-lake-landfill/article_02af485d-9f5c-5234-b76e-8af2a4a32d31.html

Decoded - West Lake Landfill Fire Close to Nuclear Waste: Radiation Danger? - 11/19/15 -

A debate is waging on whether the underground smoldering is moving closer to radioactive waste at West Lake landfill in Missouri. Let us take a look at the underground smoldering, the radioactive waste and what is being done about it. <http://www.decodedscience.org/west-lake-landfill-fire-close-nuclear-waste-radiation-danger/56750>

Bloomberg - EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy on Clean Power Plan (video - 25:15 minutes) -

11/18/15 - Gina McCarthy, administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, speaks with Bloomberg Politics managing editors Mark Halperin and John Heilemann at the "Election 2016 and The Future of Energy" discussion. She talks about President Obama's climate policy, the Clean Power Plan, and attempts in the Senate to block it. <http://www.bloomberg.com/politics/videos/2015-11-18/epa-administrator-gina-mccarthy-on-clean-power-plan>

Bloomberg - Energy Policy Panel: David Keith, Bob Inglis, Rob Barnett (video - 23:18 minutes) -

11/18/15 - Harvard Kennedy School Professor David Keith, former South Carolina congressman Bob Inglis and Bloomberg Intelligence's Rob Barnett discuss energy policy and the Gina McCarthy interview with Bloomberg Politics managing editors Mark Halperin and John Heilemann at the "Election 2016 and The Future of Energy" event. <http://www.bloomberg.com/politics/videos/2015-11-19/energy-policy-panel-keith-inglis-barnett>

Chicago Tribune - EPA chief says Senate vote to scrap power-plant rules will fail - 11/18/15 - One day after the Senate voted to block the Obama administration's plan to throttle greenhouse-gas emissions

from power plants, the head of the Environmental Protection Agency predicted the rules would survive all challenges in Congress, the courts and on the presidential campaign trail.

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/sns-wp-blm-mccarthy-75c2c9ec-8e1e-11e5-934c-a369c80822c2-20151118-story.html>

St. Louis Post-Dispatch - St. Louis commits to climate mitigation, adaptation plans - 11/18/15 -

With negotiations in Paris on a global climate pact just weeks away, St. Louis is beefing up its commitments to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and plan for a warmer, wetter world.

http://www.stltoday.com/business/local/st-louis-commits-to-climate-mitigation-adaptation-plans/article_3bb0e14f-dc0a-523c-83d0-bae83830e612.html

WHO Channel 13 Des Moines (+video) - Iowa Governor Joins EPA Lawsuit - 11/18/15 - Iowa Governor Terry Branstad says the new water rule would impose significant barriers and impair Iowa's ability to advance water quality practices and initiatives like the Iowa Nutrient Reduction Strategy.

<http://whotv.com/2015/11/18/iowa-governor-joins-epa-lawsuit/>

WDAF Channel 4 Kansas City - Worlds of Fun faces lawsuit for allegedly dumping pollutants into nearby rivers - 11/19/15 -

While Worlds of Fun is closed for the season, the park is facing scrutiny from an environmental group, which claims Worlds of Fun has been polluting the Missouri River for the past five years. <http://fox4kc.com/2015/11/19/worlds-of-fun-faces-lawsuit-for-allegedly-dumping-pollutants-into-nearby-rivers/>

Associated Press - Environmental group sues Worlds of Fun amusement park, owner - 11/18/15 -

An environmental group alleges in a lawsuit that a Kansas City amusement park is discharging polluted water into Missouri River tributaries. The group's attorney, Bob Menees, described the problems as "ongoing and egregious." http://www.ky3.com/news/local/environmental-group-sues-worlds-of-fun-amusement-park-owner/21048998_36535034

Omaha World-Herald - MUD issues \$41 million in bonds to help fix water treatment plant - 11/19/15 -

The Metropolitan Utilities District has issued \$41 million in bonds to finance repairs and upgrades at its 126-year-old Florence water treatment plant. http://www.omaha.com/news/metro/mud-issues-million-in-bonds-to-help-fix-water-treatment/article_bef477d5-b676-5100-9666-f1a63adb31a9.html

Springfield (Mo.) News-Leader - Planting the right trees in the right places can provide numerous benefits - 11/19/15 -

A little arithmetic is all it takes to determine the important role trees on privately owned land play in the overall management of Missouri's natural resources. <http://www.news-leader.com/story/sports/outdoors/2015/11/19/planting-right-trees-right-places-can-provide-numerous-benefits/75980020/>

Springfield (Mo.) News-Leader - Trout smothered at hatchery and Lake Taneycomo; officials still calculating loss - 11/18/15 - Foul-smelling water flowing out of Table Rock Lake dam has triggered a large kill of brown and rainbow trout at the Shepherd of the Hills Hatchery, according to conservation officials. <http://www.news-leader.com/story/sports/outdoors/2015/11/18/low-oxygen-smothers-fish-branson-trout-hatchery/75723524/>

KSMU Ozarks Public Radio (Springfield, Mo.) - Trout Deaths at Hatchery in Branson Blamed on Environmental Conditions - 11/18/15 - Water conditions at Shepherd of the Hills Hatchery in Branson have caused trout to die. According to the MO Conservation Department, the fish loss is a result of a combination of current environmental conditions that include warm water, low oxygen, high nitrogen, high sulfur levels and excess nutrient content. <http://ksmu.org/post/trout-deaths-hatchery-branson-blamed-environmental-conditions>

Kansas City Star - Fishermen, biologists worry about fish kills at Lake Taneycomo - 11/18/15 - Winter can't get here fast enough for the trout, say fishermen and hatchery managers at Lake Taneycomo. The prolonged mild weather this fall has produced a nightmare that has lasted almost a month, producing large fish kills in the hatchery and sluggish fish in the lake. <http://www.kansascity.com/sports/outdoors/article45335436.html>

KY3 Springfield, Mo. - Lack of oxygen kills fish at Branson trout hatchery - 11/18/15 - An unfortunate combination of late-autumn water conditions has caused a die-off of trout at the Missouri Department of Conservation's Shepherd of the Hills Hatchery. http://www.ky3.com/news/local/lack-of-oxygen-kills-fish-at-branson-trout-hatchery/21048998_36523590

MacIver News Service - Chart of the Day: Clean Power Plan Will Increase Electricity Costs in Most of the Country - 11/17/15 - The Clean Power Plan will cost up to \$292 billion and could raise electricity prices almost every single state, according to a new study released by the American Coalition for Clean Coal Electricity. <http://www.maciverinstitute.com/2015/11/chart-of-the-day-clean-power-plan-will-increase-electricity-costs-in-most-of-the-country/>

Transmission & Distribution World - Clean Power Plan Rules Fail to Address Electric Co-ops' Concerns - 11/18/15 - The National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) today participated in a public hearing on proposals for implementing the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Clean Power Plan (CPP). John Novak, executive director, environment, testified on the agency's Federal Plan and Model Trading Rules, challenging EPA's assertions that they represent a "readily available path forward" to CPP implementation. <http://tdworld.com/generation-renewables/clean-power-plan-rules-fail-address-electric-co-ops-concerns>

The Heartland Institute (blog) - Say "No" to President Obama's "Clean Power Plan" - 11/18/15 - It is relatively simple to show 33,000 death certificates annually due to automobile accidents. Can EPA produce one death certificate they claim is due to carbon dioxide pollution? Can one death certificate be

produced saying a child died from asthma due to carbon dioxide? I think not. In the future we may be able to show death certificates due to EPA's and President Obama's Clean Power Plan
<http://blog.heartland.org/2015/11/say-no-to-president-obamas-clean-power-plan/>

NRDC Switchboard (blog) - How to Flunk a Clean Power Plan Study, Starring EVA - 11/18/15 - Energy Ventures Analysis (EVA), widely recognized for their biased views and industry-influenced reports, just released a new assessment of the Clean Power Plan with the National Mining Association (NMA) yesterday. http://switchboard.nrdc.org/blogs/syeh/how_to_flunk_a_clean_power_pla.html